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**REPLY TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**  
**AND AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In reply to the Election of Species Requirement dated March 9, 2006, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

- Amended Claim Set; and
- Remarks.